

## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

**Employment and Training Administration** 

[OMB Number: OMB 1205-0464]

Comment Request for Information Collection for YouthBuild (YB) Reporting

**System, Extension without Revisions** 

**AGENCY**: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

**ACTION**: Notice.

**SUMMARY**: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)]. This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Employment and Training Administration is soliciting comments concerning the collection of data regarding the Youth Build Reporting System (expires May 31, 2015).

A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

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**DATES**: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee's section below on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

**ADDRESSES**: Submit written comments to Jenn Smith, Room N-4511, Employment and Training Administration, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20210. Telephone number: 202-693-3597 (this is not a toll-free number). Fax: 202-693-3113. E-mail: smith.jenn@dol.gov.

## **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

I. Background: This is a request for the Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration's (ETA) to extend the reporting and recordkeeping requirements of the YouthBuild (YB) program. This reporting structure features standardized data collection for program participants through quarterly Management Information System (MIS) performance reports and Wok Site Description and Housing Census report formats. All data collection and reporting is done by YouthBuild grantees.

The quarterly performance report (ETA-9136) includes aggregate and participant-level information on demographic characteristics, types of services received, placements, outcomes, and follow-up status. Specifically, these reports collect data on individuals who receive education, occupational skill training, leadership development services, and other services essential to preparing at-risk youth for in-demand occupations through YouthBuild programs. There are no changes proposed for ETA-9136 in this information collection request package. The Work Site Description and Housing Census (ETA-9143)

requests information on the proposed work sites for low-income or homeless individual or families on which YouthBuild participants will be trained and participate in construction skills activities. This form also requests annual information on the number of houses or apartments that were built or renovated each year and allows ETA to demonstrate on an annual basis the increase in affordable housing units supported by YouthBuild.

The accuracy, reliability, and comparability of program reports submitted by grantees using federal funds are fundamental elements of good public administration and are necessary tools for maintaining and demonstrating system integrity. The use of a standard set of data elements, definitions, and specifications at all levels of the workforce system helps improve the quality of performance information that is received by ETA.

## II. Review Focus:

The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

- \* evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- \* evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
  - \* enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;

and

\* minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

## III. Current Actions:

Type of Review: extension without revisions

Title: YouthBuild (YB) Reporting System

OMB Number: OMB 1205-0464

Affected Public: Grantees - Not for Profit institutions

Form(s): ETA 9136, YB Quarterly Performance Report and ETA-9143, Work Site

Description

Form/activity	Total respondents	Frequency	Total annual responses	Average time per response (hours)	Total annual burden hours
		Collected by			
	6,000 youth	grantees,			
Participant Data Collection	participants	continual	6,000	1.8	10,800
Quarterly narrative progress report	200 grantees	Quarterly	800	16	12,800
Quarterly performance report. ETA-9138	200 grantees	Quarterly 	800	16	12,800
ETA-9143 - Work Site Description	425*				
Parts A and B (Prospective	prospective	Annual			
Applicants)	applicants	competitions	425	.5 hour	212.5
ETA-9143 - Work Site Description Parts A and B (Existing Grantees)	200 grantees	Annually	200	.5 hour	100
ETA-9143 - Housing Census Part C (Existing Grantees)	200 grantees	annually	200	.5 hour	100
Totals	200 grantees		8,425		36,812.5

\*Based on the average number (425 per year) of applications received in ETA's last three

YouthBuild competitions.

Total Annual Respondents: 625

Annual Frequency: annually and quarterly

Total Annual Responses: 8,425

Average Time per Response: 1.5

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 36,812.5

Total Annual Burden Cost for Respondents \$0

Comments submitted in response to this comment request will be summarized and/or

included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information

collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

SIGNED:

Portia Wu,

Assistant Secretary,

Employment and Training Administration.

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